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REMARKS

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1. Between 17 and 19 January 1951, the barracks installation on the west side of Leninstrasse, Chemnitz (N 51/K 66) was still occupied by an MVD unit of not more than 500 troops wearing red-bordered green epaulets. Troop details left the installation by truck daily during the evening hours, allegedly for guard duty in the uranium mining area. * Forty officers assembled for a conference in front of the motor vehicle garage at 9:30 a.m. on 18 January. With them were one colonel and two majors wearing green caps. Most of the officers were billeted in houses opposite the barracks installation.

4. Troops were training with rifles and submachine guns at the target range on the northwestern section of the barracks. A dog kennel was directly behind the wall on Franz Werfelstrasse.

3. Motor vehicles identified in the billeting area

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- * Comment. The information confirms the MVD unit in the former Artillerie Kaserne on Leninstrasse with an estimated strength of one or two battalions. All previous reports indicated that the unit performed guard duty in the uranium mining area.

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